

ten insects between December 27th and 30th 1983. She noted that eight of the ten were brown; some selective factor would seem to be at work, because of the 600 reared by Mrs. Watts, only three were brown, and they were sickly and died before maturity. In February 1984, an individual of *Clitarchus* was sent to Dr. Ragge for checking and he commented on the virtual absence of the black line on the thorax which had characterised the few specimens in the British Museum (Natural History) collections from the Isle of Scilly. Certainly those who have observed the many specimens originating from the Falmouth colony have noted no obvious black line. Uvarov (1950) doubted if this was a very constant character, but Dr. Ragge suggests that its consistent absence may point to a separate origin from the Tresco colony; and we now know that there is a distinct possibility that Mr. Heath could have introduced them direct from New Zealand.

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RHEUMAPTERA UNDULATA L.: SCALLOP SHELL IN THE ISLE OF MAN — On 27th August 1983, about a mile from the town of Peel along Glenfaba Road to the Raggatt Plantation, by the disused track of the Isle of Man railway I found five larvae in sprigs of sallow fastened together with silk. From these moths emerged between 23.vi. and 1.vii.1984. The only previous record of occurrence of this species in Man appears to have been in 1972 (Bond, *Ent. Rec.* **97**:(7)). — R. F. HAYNES, Little Dorking, Mill Road, Killarney, Eire.